UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

MANUEL ALBERTO NICOLAS, individually and on behalf of others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

- against -

701 DELI INC. (d/b/a 701 DELI), FOUAD HIZAM MUSAID, ABDULLAH MUSAID, and MAKI DOE,

Defendants.

OPINION AND ORDER

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Ramos, D.J.:

On March 15, 2019, the parties submitted an application to the Court to approve their Agreement settling unpaid overtime wage claims brought under the Fair Labor Standards Act and to dismiss the case with prejudice. Doc. 70. On October 17, 2019, the Court concluded that the settlement amount was fair and reasonable and that the attorneys' fees provided were appropriate and supported by counsel's billing records. Doc. 72. The Court, however, declined to approve the Agreement based on an unduly broad release provision. *Id*.

In response to the Court's order, the parties submitted a revision to the agreement on November 12, limiting the release provision to the claims at issue in this litigation. Doc. 78. Accordingly, the Court finds that the revised Agreement complies with *Cheeks v. Freeport Pancake House, Inc.*, 796 F.3d 199 (2d Cir. 2015), and approves the revised Agreement. The

Court hereby dismisses the case with prejudice. The Clerk of Court is respectfully directed to close the case.

It is SO ORDERED.

Dated: November 12, 2019

New York, New York

Edgardo Ramos, U.S.D.J.